

NOTE ON HARRISINA CORACINA.

DR. DYAR has described the larva of this insect in *Psyche*, Nov., 1895. On July 22, 1896, I found a batch of the eggs, about 19 by 7 mm., on the under side of a leaf of mission grape in Mesilla. The eggs are rather irregularly placed, not touching one another except in a few cases. Shape elongate, about half as long again as broad, parallel-sided, roundedly truncate at ends; resting on one side, not on end; moderately shiny, iridescent, very pale lemon yellow, the surface appearing more or less granular. At that time the imago of *H. coracina* was flying in numbers in Mesilla, together with a few *H. metallica*. Both are at least double-

brooded. On July 26 the larvae had hatched from the eggs; these young larvae were very pale yellow, without marks; long hairs, some dark, some light; head large, slightly greyish. In 1897, the first *H. coracina* was seen on the wing April 24. I have been doubtful whether *H. metallica* is more than a simorphic form of *coracina*. A few days ago, my little son Martin brought me a pair in cop., *coracina* ♀ with *metallica* ♂. I have eggs from the ♀ now. Larvae of *H. coracina* occur here on Virginia creeper as well as grape.

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